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Applicant : MAHENDRAN et al.
Appl. No : 09/975,220
Filed : October 11, 2002
Title : VERTICAL SKEIN OF HOLLOW FIBER MEMBRANES AND
METHOD OF MAINTAINING CLEAN FIBER SURFACES WHILE
FILTERING A SUBSTRATE TO WITHDRAW A PERMEATE

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Examiner : KIM, Sun U.

Docket No. : 4320-443

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C
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November 21, 2002

AMENDMENT/RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the office action of July 23, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the claims:

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23. In a microfiltration membrane device, for withdrawing permeate essentially continuously from a multi-component liquid substrate while increasing the concentration of particulate material therein, said membrane device including:

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